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SUBJECT: PAKISTANI PRESS REACTION TO ISRAELI RESCUE OPERATION

1. PAKISTANI PRESS REACTION TO ISRAELI OPERATION IN UGANDA HAS BEEN PREDICTABLY NEGATIVE. THE ACTION HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS "AGGRESSION" (JANG) AND "PIRACY" (HURRIYET). ALL PAPERS CARRY GOP CONDEMNATION F OPERATION (ISLAMABAD 6808) AND EDITORIAL COMMENT HAS GENERALLY MADE SOME POINTS AS DID GOVERNMENT STATEMENT.

2. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE BELIEF THAT USG HAD NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF RAID, BUT EDITORIAL JULY 7 JANG CRITICIZES AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN APPROVAL OF ISRAELI ACTION. HURRIYET OF SAME DATE CRITICIZES PRESIDENT FORD'S REACTION AS AN ENCOURAGEMENT OF PIRACY AND MAKING UN OF UN CHARTER. JANG JULY 7 EDITORIAL COMPARES PRESIDENT FORD'S MESSAGE TO ISRAELI PREMIER RAIN WITH ARAB COUNTRIES' AND PLO'S CONDEMNATION OF THE HIJACKING, THEN ASKS FOR PRESIDENT'S VIEWS ON ISRAEL'S TERRORISM.

3. EDITORIALS AND ARTICLES SUGGEST USG CAN ATONE FOR MISTAKE OF
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NOT CONDEMNING ISRAEL BY REFRAINING FROM USE OF VETO ON

RESOLUTION THAT MAY BE OFFERED AT SECURITY COUNCIL.

4. ITEM IN JULY 6 PAKISTAN TIMES NOTES PROTEST PROCESSION IN RAWALPINDI NIGHT OF JULY 5 BY PEOPLE'S LABOUR FRONT. JULY 6 DAILY NEWS (KARACHI) REPORTED THIS MARCH AS PROTEST AGAINST ISRAELI AGGRESSION IN UGANDA. ITEM CONTINUES WITH DESCRIPTION OF DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF RAWALPINDI AMERICAN CENTER WHERE U.S. FLAG AND EFFIGY OF PRESIDENT FORD WERE BURNED AND SHOUTS RAISED AGAINST ISRAELI AND AMERICAN COLLABORATION. SO FAR THERE IS NO CORROBORATION OF REPORTED DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF AMERICAN CENTER. PAKISTAN TIMES ACCOUNT DESCRIBED ONLY PROCESSION AND SPEECHES AS HAVING TAKEN PLACE.
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